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03 October 2017 Ref: PL/Let/P1117i Dear Ms. Hayes,

## RE: Adur Local Plan Main Modifications, Land at Old Salts Farm

We are writing to you on behalf of our clients Landstone Ltd in support of the land at Old Salts Farm, Lancing (also known as Land North of Hasler) in response to the Council's consultation on the Main Modifications to the Proposed Submission Adur Local Plan 2016.

With regards to Policy 14 – Green Gaps, we are supportive of the removal of the designation from the site at Old Salts Farm. We agree entirely with the Inspectors preliminary findings in this regard and the proposed Main Modification (reference MM28).

We are however not accepting of the position that the housing target as proposed is sufficient to meet the pressing housing need in the District and sub-region (as discussed at the Examination in Public). We are of the view that appropriate omission sites, such as the land at Old Salts Farm, would be required to ensure compliance with paragraph 14 of the National Planning Policy Framework which states:

Local Plans should meet objectively assessed needs, with sufficient flexibility to adapt to rapid change

In this respect, we reject the view that the perceived adverse impacts of allocating the site at Old Salts Farm would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits of new homes (as set out under the provisions of paragraph 14 of the Framework).

Notwithstanding this point, we see that the Plan will be reviewed within a five year period (under reference MM2). Our clients would wish to work proactively with the Council to ensure that the site is included within the reviewed Local Plan.

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